

SPORT

NEWS
and
COMMENT

Two Western Conference officials will handle the game with Washington Saturday. D. J. Henry, formerly of Kenyon College, Ohio, will referee the contest while Ralph W. Siler, once a star quarterback at the University of Illinois, will act as head linesman. C. E. McBride, sporting editor of the Kansas City Star, will umpire the game.

The annual football game with Washington ranks with the Kansas game in feeling and sentiment among University men throughout the state. The fact that Washington and Missouri are the only two Conference schools in the state makes this feeling all the stronger. Washington usually comes early on the Tiger schedule and the result of this game is often taken as the indication of what the Tigers will do for the rest of the season.

Again this year the prestige of the Missouri team will be largely determined by how they perform against Washington. The Pikers' victory of last year and the poor 1915 season are two other factors that are making both the students and the team anxious to win Saturday's contest. A decisive victory would mean that Missouri's football prestige would be largely regained and that would mean added interest and support from friends of the University all over the state.

Still another fact that is going to make the Tigers fight harder than ever against the Pikers is that Washington has never won a game on Rollins Field. The two teams did not meet in Columbia until 1907 and the only victory since then for the St. Louis school was last October on Francis Field. The Pikers had won for three successive years prior to 1907 but all of these games were played in St. Louis, as Columbia was then too small and inaccessible to turn out big crowds.

Missouri played her first game of intercollegiate football with Washington on November 27, 1890. This was the only intercollegiate football contest that season and Missouri was defeated by a score of 28 to 0. Washington made five touchdowns, three goals from touchdowns and a safety, all but four of the points coming in the last half. R. F. Goslin, one of the members of this original football team, is now living near Columbia.

Washington and Missouri did not meet again until 1898, but since then they have missed but one year—in 1901. The results of the other games follow:

Year.	Missouri.	Washington.
1898	12	18
1899	33	11
1900	6	5
1902	27	0
1903	0	0
1904	0	11
1905	10	14
1906	0	12
1907	27	0
1908	40	0
1909	5	0
1910	27	3
1911	5	5
1912	33	0
1913	19	0
1914	26	3
1915	0	13

Schulte Working
Hard on Backfield.

Hard drill was again the order of events on Rollins Field yesterday afternoon. The coaches were busy with the offense. Forward passes, cross backs, tackle around plays, split formations and straight football were all given trials.

Schulte kept himself busy between two squads but he spent most of the time with a team made up of the regular line and Haines, Rider, Collins and Stankowski in the backfield. McMillan also took his turn with this bunch. Wilder held down the end position as Bass did not show up in a football suit because of a sore neck. Bass put up a good game against Central and his loss may weaken the team for Saturday's contest. Wilder has it in him to play a smashing game at end but whether or not he will is quite another question.

The freshmen and Varsity were against each other this afternoon. The first-year men are greatly weakened by the loss of Cross, Lee, Lizon, Meyer and one or two other mainstays.

Bennie Owens Turning Out
Another Whirlwind Machine.

That Oklahoma has a team as strong as any in the last few years even though "all shot to pieces" at the start of the season is being more clearly demonstrated every time the Sooners line up against an opposing eleven.

Bennie Owens' machine—minus the great Geyer and many other stars—has been able to run up a mere paltry three hundred points in three games so far. An average of 100 points to the game—which is not bad for a team "all shot to pieces." True, the Sooners haven't faced any wonderfully strong teams yet, but any eleven that can score 148 points in one game as the Oklahoma bunch did last Saturday is "going some" to say the

least. Walter Stemmons, former M. U. student, has written to "beware the Sooners." And Stemmons is about right. The team that does not "beware the Sooners" is making a fatal mistake.

The Tigers are said to have a strong defense. But they are going to have to keep the Sooners farther away than the 35-yard line to prevent a score by Owens' machine, for in one Tyler, who heretofore had not set the world on fire by his prowess, the Sooners have probably the most dangerous point-kicker in the Middle West. Tyler could do no better than send six field goals through the bars in one game recently and all from more than 35 yards. Geyer may not be missed after all.

U. H. S. Boys to Have Bible Class.

Boys of the University High School have organized a Sunday School class, which is to meet during the winter at the Y. M. C. A. Building. The number of members is expected to be about thirty. C. F. Dienst, principal of the University High School, will be the teacher. The first meeting of the class will be held Sunday morning, October 15.

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